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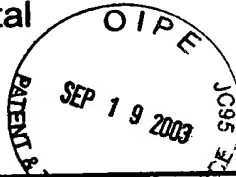
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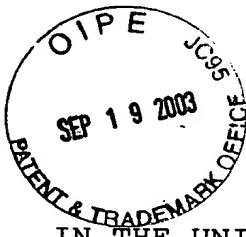
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Dear Sir:

- 1) Applicants are enclosing five Replacement Sheets of corrected formal drawings. In addition to labeling Figs. 1a, 1b, 1c, 2a, 2b and 3 as "PRIOR ART", all figures have been distributed onto five sheets rather than four sheets as originally filed, in order to avoid crowding and to assure that proper margins are maintained. Additional reference numbers have been inserted in Figs. 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 in order to identify items that were originally shown, but were not provided with individual reference numbers. For example, the temperature sensor conductors (12) have now received individual reference numbers (12A) and (12B).

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Similarly, the electric heater (6) has in fact three portions as originally disclosed, namely the portion (6A), the portion (6B) and the portion (6C) which connects the portions (6A) and (6B) in series with each other. Also, the originally disclosed contact points between the heater (6) and the sensor conductors have now been provided with individual reference numbers (12A') and (12B').

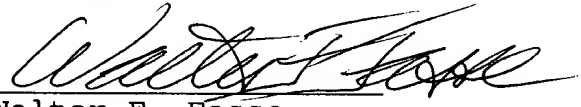
- 2) Approval and entry of these corrected drawings is respectfully requested. Please replace the original drawings with the enclosed Replacement Sheets.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael BISCHOF et al.
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